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### **Snorkeler rescued from waters off Wanini on Monday**

WANINI – A 47-year-old female visitor from New Jersey was rescued from waters off Wanini Beach on Monday afternoon.

At approximately 1 p.m., Ocean Safety Bureau lifeguards spotted a male snorkeler yelling for help and pulling in another snorkeler to shore. An on-duty lifeguard nearby responded and assisted.

When she was brought to shore, lifeguards and bystanders administered CPR to the female. Hanalei firefighters and personnel with American Medical Response arrived on scene shortly after to provide further assistance.

First responders continued by administering high-performance CPR and high-flow oxygen therapy to the patient.

AMR medics continued advanced life support while transporting the female to Wilcox Medical Center for further treatment. She is currently in stable condition.

As Hawai'i Celebrates Beach Safety Week, the Ocean Safety Bureau reminds everyone to swim near a lifeguard and be safe by being smart while enjoying the beach and ocean.

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